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# RED FOX REVIEW

Roberts Elementary School

Tallahassee, FL



Welcome to the first edition of the 2019-20 Red Fox Review, the Roberts Elementary student-produced newspaper. Each edition will bring information on events and activities taking place in our school. We hope you enjoy reading it as much as we enjoyed producing it!

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## RED FOXES TURN PINK!

On October 3, Roberts Elementary joined many other schools, businesses, and organizations in Tallahassee in GOING PINK to support cancer research and breast cancer survivors.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct. 14 – Teacher Planning Day

Oct. 15 -- Boosterthon Pep Rally

Oct. 20 – Mother/Son Pumpkin Carving, 3:00 pm-6:00 pm

Oct. 25 -- Boosterthon Fun Run

Oct. 28 – Nov. 1 -- Red Ribbon Week

Nov. 1 – Fall Festival, 3:00 pm-6:30 pm

Nov. 6 – Picture Retakes

Nov. 11 – Veteran’s Day Holiday

Nov. 25-29 -- Thanksgiving Holidays

# A GRAND DAY TO BE A GRANDFOX!!

*Alyx Gibbons and Reagan Gould*



On Friday, September 13, grandparents from all over the country came to Roberts to spend the day with their grandchildren at our annual Grandfoxes Day. It was a huge success!

We spoke with one of our parents, Mrs. Holly, who was the organizer of this event. She and a lot of other volunteers have been working for a long time to prepare for this day. Grandparents got to have lunch with their grandchildren, visit their classroom, have their picture made together, and shop at the Book Fair. This is the first year we've had the Book Fair on the same day as Grandfoxes Day and it seemed to be a big hit!



When we first interviewed Mrs. Holly the morning of the event, she told us she expected over 600 grandparents to come. When the final count was made, though, 891 grandparents came!! There were over 700 Chick-fil-A meals sold, over 100 Grandgrams sold, and over 60 volunteers helped out.

Our principal, Mrs. McFarland, said, "It is my favorite day." She told us it was her favorite day because kids get to see their grandparents and grandparents get to see the classrooms. She said BuckLake and DeSoto Trail also have Grandparents Day. She also stated that, "Grandfoxes are special to our little Redfoxes." We talked with Susan Brown, grandmother of Tripp, Mickey, and Charlie Harriett. She thought that Grandfoxes Day was a wonderful day for orientation. She also thought it was great to have the Book Fair the same day.



This year's Grandfoxes Day was a big success. It seems like all the grandparents and the grandchildren had fun and are

already looking forward to next year.



# ROBERTS RED FOXES ARE READERS!!

*Logan Harrison and Nicholas Sapiera*



Our recent Scholastic Book Fair was a huge success! This was the first time we've ever held the book fair on Grandfoxes Day and it turned out to be a lot of fun for everyone. The media center was filled throughout the day with happy shoppers.

Susan and Martha, who were at the book fair with their grandson, Levi, said, "There is a great variety of books." Also, our very own Mrs. Doss said, "I love that kids can buy books they enjoy reading!" Vickie and Addison were helping their granddaughter, Lynn, look for animal books. They suggested that their granddaughter look for something she was interested in. Finally, Rita, who was with her grandchildren, said, "Everything was very nice!"

We talked to our media specialist, Mrs. Sever, about the Scholastic Book Fair. "We have had at least one Scholastic Book Fair since the school's opening in 2001." Due to some scheduling issues, the Book Fair was only open for Grandfoxes Day on September 13 and the following Monday, September 16. But, don't be sad because there will be another Book Fair in the spring that will be a full week!



Some of you might be wondering where all the money that is made from the Book Fair goes. Mrs. Sever says that all the money goes to buy books and other resources for our media center. Typically the school earns around \$2,500 from the Book Fair, but this year we made over \$4,000!

The students at Roberts really love to read, so it makes sense that our Book Fair would be successful!





## ROCKIN' RED FOXES!!

*Anne Marie Copelin and Anastasia Stanton*

On September 19 the students at Roberts Elementary were treated to a special day of fun and creative learning when we participated in Rock Your School! It was spectacular!

Thousands of teachers from around the world participate in Rock Your School! The purpose is to encourage educators to create an outside-the-box experience for their students. Our teachers at Roberts certainly did a good job! Teachers in all grade levels came up with special plans and activities to teach different things that day. Some classes had to break a code to solve a mystery and some had scavenger hunts. Since September 19 was also "Talk Like a Pirate Day", a couple of grade levels chose that for their Rock Your School theme. According to Mrs. Meyer, her kindergarten class enjoyed "a pirate day with a Jolly Roger flag".



We asked Mrs. McFarland why we have Rock Your School. She said, "This is to get kids excited and engaged." We asked if other schools do this. She replied, "No other schools do this in Leon County, but other schools do this in the United States." We also asked her to state in one sentence what the best thing about Rock your School is. She said, "To help kids get out of their comfort zone, because if adults act silly, kids are encouraged to do it, too". We asked if there were any improvements from last year. She stated that, "This year all grades participated".

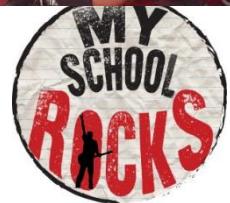
In addition to fun themes, events, and activities during the day, we were treated to a special performance from our teachers and staff in the afternoon. There was so much talent on that stage! We asked the PE coaches before the performance what they were going to do. They said, "We are planning a surprise that is going to be epic. It has never been done before!" That sure got us interested! During the show, we saw rock stars and country stars, with the grand finale being "The Glow Bots". The office staff performed a dance in the dark while dressed with fluorescent stripes on their clothes. It looked so cool! Who knew our adult Red Foxes were so talented?!



This is the second year many of us have had the chance to participate in Rock Your School! We're already looking forward to next year!



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